

PRAYER GUIDE FOR ELECTING RIGHTEOUS RULERS

*I will restore your leaders as in days of old, your rulers as at the beginning.
Afterward, you will be called the City of Righteousness, the Faithful City. (Is 1:26)*

Pray for God to raise up elected officials with a passion for truth, empowered by the zeal of the Lord.

Father, we pray for those You are calling forth in this hour to lead in governmental positions. We pray that You would confirm the calling and election on their lives and that this assurance would keep them from stumbling. We pray that they would fight the good fight of faith and take hold of Your Word as their standard for truth. We pray that their calling would evidence a holy life that exhibits Your righteousness in all they do and say, for Your glory, alone. (2 Pt 1:10; 1 Tm 6:12; 2 Tm 1:9; Phil 3:13-14)

Pray for godly men and women who walk in the fear of the Lord.

Father, we ask that those who are running for office would do so in the fear of the Lord. We pray that they would consider carefully what they do, realizing they are not making decisions unto men, but will ultimately answer to You. May they judge carefully, free from injustice, partiality, or bribery. Thank You for the abundant good things You have stored up for them and for protecting them from human intrigue and accusing tongues. We ask that they would continually seek refuge in You alone. We pray that the fear of the Lord in their lives would cause them to shine as a light to the world, drawing others to the Truth. (2 Chr 19:5-7; Ps 31:19-20; Mt 5:14-16)

Pray for the electoral process to be fair, impartial, and free of corruption and manipulation.

Lord Jesus, we pray that those involved in the electoral process would not be drawn into evil or take part in evil deeds. We pray that integrity and uprightness would guide them and that any who are unfaithful would be exposed for their duplicity. Father, You declare that those who walk righteously and speak what is right, who reject gain from extortion and keep their hands from accepting bribes will dwell on the heights in righteousness and will find their needs supplied by You. May they do what is right in Your eyes, Lord. (Ps 141:4; Prv 11:3; Is 33:15-16; 2 Cor 8:21)

Pray that any schemes of the enemy will be dismantled and destroyed.

Lord, we thank You for Your victory over the adversary. We thank You that his plans cannot succeed—he is turned away at the power of Your Word. We declare that no candidate will be established through wickedness, and that those who walk in righteousness will be firmly planted by Your hand. Expose the schemes of the enemy and empower those faithful to Your Word to outwit his plans. We pray that any attack will only serve to strengthen the faith and resolve of those You are calling to run for office. We declare that Your truth will overshadow the lies and that manipulation, deception, and greed will bow to that which is true and holy. (Ps 21:11-12; Prv 12:2-3; 2 Cor 2:11; 1 Pt 5:10)

Pray for leaders with a servant's heart, a clear conscience, and a walk of integrity.

Father, we pray for integrity to rule in the heart of each one who is in office and who is running for office. Uphold them by Your Presence. May their eyes be fixed on You, keeping a clear conscience and giving careful thought to their steps. We pray that they would run their race as God's servant, called to do good for the people they serve, free from selfish ambition and personal gain. We pray they would handle their finances with integrity and owe no man anything, as they respect and honor the laws of the land. (Ps 41:11-12; Prv 4:25-27; Rom 13:4, 6-7; 1 Pt 3:16)

Pray for citizens to discern what is good and right in the Lord's eyes.

Father, we pray that the electorate would discern truth in the fear of the Lord, not judging by what they see with their eyes or deciding by what they hear with their ears, but in righteousness and justice. We pray that those who walk in truth will be known by their fruit and the rebellious would stumble in their ways. Do not allow us to be conformed to the patterns of this world but be transformed in our thinking, testing all things by Your Word and Your Spirit. Help Your people to mature in discernment, distinguishing good from evil. Give us leaders who rightly discern Your Truth so they can lead citizens in righteousness and virtue. (Is 11:3-4; Hos 14:9; Rom 12:2; Heb 5:14)

Pray for righteous leaders to have increased favor, honor, and provision.

Lord, we ask You to bless our leaders in government with pure hearts and clean hands. For those who do not walk in the way of the wicked, we pray their delight would be in the law of the Lord and they would yield good fruit from their labors and prosper in all their ways. We pray for meek leaders who will inherit the promises of God and enjoy peace and prosperity from Your hand. For those walking in darkness, we ask for Your mercy and pray that they would have a firsthand encounter with Your love, Your truth, and Your power. We pray for our leaders to hold to righteousness and for those with clean hands to grow stronger. We pray that You would bless them abundantly so that in all things at all times, having all that they need, they will abound in every good work, for the glory of God. (Ps 1:1-3, 37:11; Job 17:9; 2 Cor 9:8)

Pray for voting that honors God and is true to His Word.

Lord Jesus, we pray for all believers to honor Your Word through their voting. Remind us of Scriptures as we go to the polls so that we will uphold Your standard of righteousness in this election. May we vote for leaders who will honor the laws of this land put forth in the Constitution. May we vote for leaders who uphold biblical family values and the sanctity of life. May we elect leaders who believe in freedom of religion and speech so that no one will be bound to a spirit of slavery. We pray for leaders who will make wise laws to help the poor, assist the weak, and encourage work. May we elect leaders who seek the peace of Jerusalem and just and compassionate immigration policies. Keep us mindful of Your Word so that we will come into agreement with Your kingdom values and righteous rule. (Is 11:3-4a; Heb 13:4; Gal 5:1, Ps 139:16; Eph 4:28; Ps 122:6-7; Acts 17:26-27)

Pray that the Kingdom of God would be firmly established in righteous government.

Father, we declare that the greatness of Your government and peace will never end! We rejoice in Your purpose to establish and uphold it with justice and righteousness from this time and forevermore. We pray that the mountain of the Lord would be established as the highest of the mountains and that all nations would flow to it for wisdom, truth, and that which is eternal. May our righteous laws reflect Your kingly authority and bring light to the nations. Bless all who are called to lead us and may they acknowledge that it is You, alone, who grants them the right to govern and lead the people. May Your kingdom advance in this nation. (Is 9:7; 2:1-4; Rom 13:1-2)

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